
SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator B. Jones to Reengrossed House Bill No. 2
by Representative DeWitt

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "reenact" insert "the introductory paragraph of" and
3 after "(23)" change the comma to "and" and after "65" delete "(A), (B)(1)"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 1, line 3, after "421.7" delete the remainder of the line and insert "and
6 to"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 1, delete lines 5 through 10 and insert "limit licensed riverboats to
9 conducting gaming only while the riverboat is docked; to provide for
10 additional"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 4

12 On page 2, line 16, delete "(2) through (4)"

13 AMENDMENT NO. 5

14 On page 3, line 17, after "65" delete "(A), (B)(1)"

15 AMENDMENT NO. 6

16 On page 3, line 18, after "reenacted" delete the remainder of the line and on
17 line 19, delete "hereby enacted"

18 AMENDMENT NO. 7

19 On page 3, delete lines 24 through 26

20 AMENDMENT NO. 8

21 On page 4, delete lines 1 through 18 and insert the following:

22 "(23) "Riverboat means a vessel which is permanently docked at its
23 licensed berth which complies with all of the following:"

24 AMENDMENT NO. 9

25 On page 5, delete lines 3 through 20 and insert the following:

26 "B. Gaming shall be conducted aboard riverboats, subject to the
27 following requirements:

28 ~~(1)(a) In any parish, except a parish which borders the Red~~
29 ~~River beginning five miles south of the Kansas City Southern~~

~~Company/Louisiana Arkansas Crossing Railroad Bridge in Rapides Parish and ending five miles north of the Mid-South Company Railroad Bridge in Caddo Parish, no gaming may be conducted while a riverboat is docked, unless the vessel is docked for less than forty-five minutes between excursions. However, should the master of the riverboat reasonably determine and certify in writing that the weather conditions or the water conditions are such that those conditions, which the master shall specify, present a danger to the riverboat, its passengers, and crew, then the riverboat may remain docked and gaming may take place until such time as the master determines that those conditions have sufficiently diminished to proceed or until the duration of the authorized excursion has expired. A riverboat gaming"~~

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 5, line 21, change "Subparagraph" to "Chapter"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 5, line 22, change "27:91(C)(1)" to "27:91(C)." and delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 23 through 26

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 6, delete lines 1 though 12 and insert the following:

~~"(b)(i) For the purposes of this Chapter, on or after September 15, 1993, in any parish which borders the Red River beginning five miles south of the Kansas City Southern Company/Louisiana Arkansas Crossing Railroad Bridge in Rapides Parish and ending five miles north of the Mid-South Company Railroad Bridge in Caddo Parish, gaming may be conducted while a riverboat is docked.~~

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 7, delete lines 18 through 23 and insert the following:

~~" (2) Riverboat cruises shall be not less than three nor more than eight hours in duration for a round trip, should the licensee offer or be required to offer, excursions while conducting gaming activities, with the exception of any extended excursions, each of which shall be expressly approved by the commission.~~

~~(3) (2) Agents of the division may be on board at any time during gaming operations for the purpose of determining compliance with the provisions of this Chapter.~~

~~(4) (3) Gaming devices, equipment, and supplies customarily used in conducting gaming, must be purchased or leased only from suppliers permitted for such purpose under this Chapter.~~

~~(5) (4) Licensees shall permit no form of wagering on games except as permitted by this Chapter, and the rules of the division.~~

(6) (5) Gaming may only take place in the designated gaming area while the riverboat is upon a designated river or waterway.

(7) (6) Gaming equipment may not be possessed, maintained, or exhibited by a person on a riverboat except in the designated gaming area, or a secure area used for inspection, repair, or storage of the equipment and specifically designated for that purpose.

(8) (7) Wagers may be received only from a person present on a licensed riverboat.

(9) (8) A person under age twenty-one shall not be permitted in the designated gaming area of a riverboat.

(10) (9) Gaming is permitted only on the rivers described in R.S. 27:43.

(11) (10) Except for racehorse wagering and the play of slot machines, gaming wagers may be made only with tokens, chips, or electronic cards purchased from the licensee aboard a riverboat. Such tokens, chips, or electronic cards may be used while aboard the riverboat only for the purpose of making wagers on gaming games.

(12) (11) Licensees ~~must shall~~ use only those docking facilities and routes for which they are licensed and may only board and discharge passengers only at the riverboat's licensed berth.

(13) (12) Licensees must have adequate protection and indemnity insurance, as determined by the commission, at all times during operation of a riverboat.

(14) (13) Licensees and riverboats ~~must shall~~ have all necessary federal and state licenses, certificates, or other regulatory approvals prior to operating a riverboat, including meeting all requirements for safety, employee training, and inspection of the United States Coast Guard for such vessels.

(15) (14) In addition to the above, gaming must be conducted in accordance with all the terms of the license, the requirements set forth in this Chapter, and rules and regulations adopted by the division and the commission."

AMENDMENT NO. 14

Delete pages 8 through 13 and on page 14, delete lines 1 through 11

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 14, delete lines 15 through 25 and insert the following:

"(C) A franchise fee shall be charged for the right to conduct gaming activities on a permanently docked riverboat at annual amount equal to ~~fifteen~~ eighteen percent of net gaming proceeds."

1 AMENDMENT NO. 16

2 Delete page 15 and on page 16, delete lines 1 through 6

3 AMENDMENT NO. 17

4 On page 16, delete lines 16 through 26 and on page 17, delete lines 1 through
5 6 and insert the following:

6 "(b) ~~The~~ Of the total of eighteen percent franchise fee paid pursuant to
7 R.S. 27:91(C), fifteen percent to the state general fund and three
8 percent to the Support Education in Louisiana First Fund, as provided
9 in R.S. 17:421.7."